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SUBJ: PRICNESS ASHRAF VISITS PAKISTAN

1. SHAH'S TWIN SISTER, PRINCESS ASHRAF, BEGAN FOUR-DAY OFFICIAL VISIT TO PAKISTAN JANUARY 19 AT BHUTTO'S INVITATION. UNDER-SECRETARY TAJBAKHSH OF MFA TOLD EMBASSY PAKISTANI WOMEN'S GROUPS HAD ASKED BHUTTO TO INVITE HER TO PUBLICIZE THEIR ACTIVITIES IN CELEBRATION OF INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S YEAR. WOMEN'S ACTIVITIES ARE CLEARLY MAJOR PUBLIC FOCUS OF THE TRIP, AS ASHRAF IS ACCOMPANIED BY MAJLES DEPUTY MINU DOWLATSHAHI, HER DEPUTY FOR INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S AFFAIRS AND PRESIDENT OF INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL OF WOMEN, AND MAHNAZ AFKHAMI, SEC GEN OF IRANIAN WOMEN'S ORGANIZATION, BUT TAJBAKHSH IMPLIED SHE WOULD COVER OTHER SUBJECTS IN TALKS WITH PAK LEADERS AND MIGHT BRING BACK MESSAGE FROM BHUTTO TO SHAH.

2. PRESS COVERAGE HAS HIGHLIGHTED VISIT SIMPLY AS REAFFIRMATION OF CLOSE TIES BETWEEN TWO COUNTRIES. FARSI KAYHAN JAN 21 SPECULATED ASHRAF WAS IN PAKISTAN AS PRELUDE TO UPCOMING OFFICIAL VISIT OF SHAH AND EMPRESS WHICH HAS BEEN MENTIONED IN PRESS BEFORE. NO DATES HAVE BEEN GIVEN.

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